

June 29, 2017

Via Electronic Filing

Ms. Marlene H. Dortch, Secretary Federal Communications Commission 445 12th Street, SW Washington, DC 20554

Re: **Starry, Inc. Notice of Ex-Parte Communication**; Use of Spectrum Bands Above 24 GHz For Mobile Radio Services, et al., GN Docket No. 14-177, IB Docket Nos. 15-256 and 97-95; RM-11664; and WT Docket No. 10-112

Dear Ms. Dortch:

On June 27, 2017, Starry, Inc., represented by Chet Kanojia, Chief Executive Officer, Joseph Lipowski, Chief Technology Officer and Virginia Lam Abrams, Senior Vice President of Communications & Government Relations, participated in a meeting at the Federal Communications Commission ("Commission") with the Office of Engineering and Technology ("OET") represented by Bureau Chief Julius Knapp, Michael Ha, Jamison Prime, Bahman Badipour and Nicholas Oros.

During the meeting, Starry briefed the OET team on Starry's proprietary 5G fixed wireless technology and the company's deployment progress in Boston. Starry discussed its technology architecture and shared information regarding its experience operating in various weather and seasonal conditions in the millimeter wave bands. Starry continues to expand its base of beta customers in the Boston area and plans to expand to additional cities before the end of 2017.

During the meeting, Starry also reiterated its support for preserving sharing in the lower 37 GHz band as proposed in the *Spectrum Frontiers Report & Order*, advocating that a simple, site-based coordination mechanism be utilized. Implementing a sharing framework in this band that utilizes a site-based model, rather than licensing by a geographic area, takes advantage of the unique characteristics of the band, namely its limited propagation, that allow for more spectrum re-use.

The development of the 5G technology market is still nascent. Starry believes it is critical that the Commission employ a diverse set of spectrum licensing models – including sharing, unlicensed and exclusively licensed – to encourage the maximum amount of innovation in these millimeter wave bands. The Commission has substantial experience and

success with implementing site-based coordination systems and Starry believes using this simple approach will be the most effective in unleashing this spectrum into the marketplace, while preserving the ability for the Commission to refine the sharing mechanism in the future, as these technologies evolve.

Pursuant to Section 1.1206(b)(2) of the Commission's rules, an electronic copy of this letter is being filed for inclusion in the above-referenced docket. We have also provided a copy of this letter electronically to all Commission personnel who were in attendance. Please contact the undersigned with any questions.

Respectfully submitted, Virginia Lam Abrams Starry, Inc.

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